

IN THE CLAIMS:

- 1 1. (Currently Amended) An inlet adapter comprising:
2 a top portion threadingly engageable to a body portion;
3 an expandable portion disposed adjacent the body portion; and
4 a bolt threadingly engageable to the top portion, the bolt securing
5 the expandable portion adjacent the body portion and compressing the
6 expandable portion in association with rotation of the body portion about
7 the top portion.
- 1 2. (Original) The inlet adapter of claim 1, wherein the top portion
2 comprises a bore extending therethrough, a radiator neck portion, a hex portion,
3 and a threaded portion, the threaded portion having a threaded bore threadingly
4 engageable to the bolt.
- 1 3. (Original) The inlet adapter of claim 1, wherein the bolt comprises a
2 bore extending therethrough and left-handed threads at an end thereof.
- 1 4. (Currently Amended) The inlet adapter of claim 1, wherein the
2 expandable portion comprises a cylindrical portion.
- 1 5. (Currently Amended) The inlet adapter of claim 1, further comprising
2 a first washer disposed intermediate the expandable portion and the body portion
3 and a second washer disposed intermediate the expandable portion and a bolt
4 head.
- 1 6. (Currently Amended) The inlet adapter of claim 5, further comprising
2 a thrust bearing disposed intermediate the first washer and the body portion.
- 1 7. (Currently Amended) The inlet adapter of claim 1, wherein the body
2 portion comprises a hex portion.

1 8. (Currently Amended) An inlet adapter comprising:
2 a top portion having a threaded portion threadingly engageable with
3 a threaded bore of a body portion;
4 an expandable portion disposed adjacent the body portion; and
5 a bolt threadingly engageable with a threaded bore formed in the
6 threaded portion, the bolt securing the expandable portion adjacent the
7 body portion and compressing the expandable portion in association with
8 rotation of the body portion about the threaded portion.

1 9. (Original) The inlet adapter of claim 8, wherein the top portion
2 comprises a bore extending therethrough, a radiator neck portion and a hex
3 portion.

1 10. (Original) The inlet adapter of claim 9, wherein the body portion
2 comprises a hex portion, the body portion hex portion disposed proximate the top
3 portion hex portion.

1 11. (Original) The inlet adapter of claim 8, wherein the bolt comprises a
2 bore extending therethrough and left-handed threads at an end thereof.

1 12. (Original) The inlet adapter of claim 8, wherein the expandable portion
2 comprises a cylindrical portion.

1 13. (Original) The inlet adapter of claim 8, further comprising a first washer
2 disposed intermediate the expandable portion and the body portion and a second
3 washer disposed intermediate the expandable portion and a bolt head.

1 14. (Currently Amended) The inlet adapter of claim 13, further
2 comprising a thrust bearing disposed intermediate the first washer and the body
3 portion.

1 15. (Currently Amended) A radiator inlet adapter for use with a radiator
2 filler neck of circular cross section comprising:
3 a top portion having a bore extending therethrough and a threaded
4 portion threadingly engageable with a threaded bore of a body portion;
5 an expandable portion disposed adjacent the body portion, the
6 expandable portion having a circular cross section; and
7 a bolt threadingly engageable with a threaded bore formed in the
8 threaded portion, the bolt securing the expandable portion adjacent the
9 body portion and compressing the expandable portion in association with
10 rotation of the body portion about the threaded portion.

1 16. (Original) The radiator inlet adapter of claim 15, wherein the top
2 portion comprises a radiator neck portion and a hex portion.

1 17. (Original) The radiator inlet adapter of claim 16, wherein the body
2 portion comprises a hex portion, the body portion hex portion disposed proximate
3 the top portion hex portion.

1 18. (Currently Amended) The radiator inlet adapter of claim 15, wherein
2 the bolt comprises [[a]] left-handed threads at an end thereof.

1 19. (Original) The radiator inlet adapter of claim 15, further comprising a
2 first washer disposed intermediate the expandable portion and the body portion
3 and a second washer disposed intermediate the expandable portion and a bolt
4 head.

20. (Currently Amended) The radiator inlet adapter of claim 19, further
comprising a thrust bearing disposed intermediate the first washer and the body
portion.